

# NORTH CAROLINA ALCOHOL LAW ENFORCEMENT

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# Authority

**§ 18B-500.** (b) Subject Matter Jurisdiction. - After taking the oath prescribed for a peace officer, an alcohol law-enforcement agent shall have authority to arrest and take other investigatory and enforcement actions for any criminal offense. The primary responsibility of an agent shall be enforcement of the ABC laws, lottery laws, and Article 5 of Chapter 90 (The Controlled Substances Act); however, an agent may perform any law-enforcement duty assigned by the Secretary of Public Safety or the Governor.



# Legislative Requests

ALE is not requesting nor implementing any changes to the statutory mission reflected in 18B-500(b).

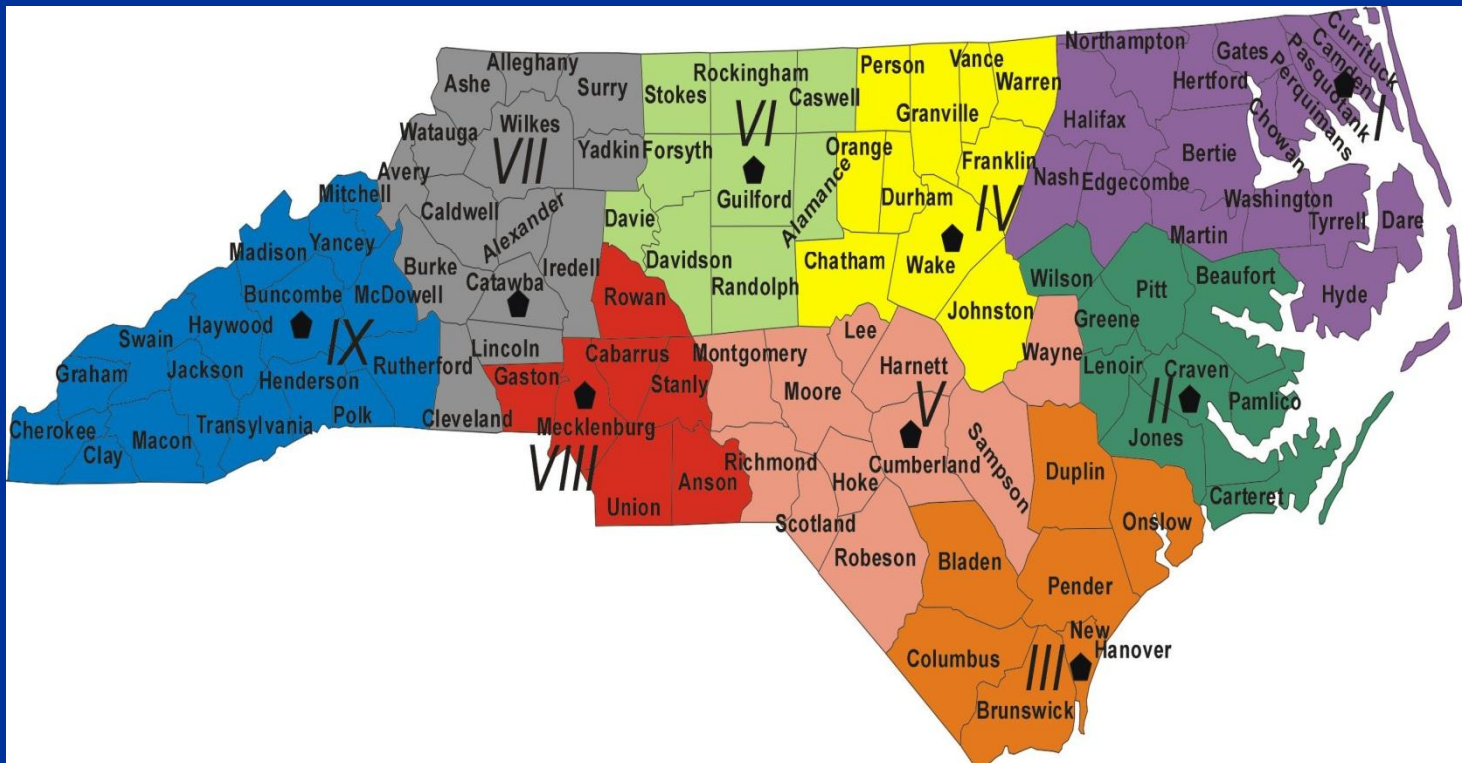


# Mission Statement

The Mission of ALE is to reduce crime and enhance public safety throughout North Carolina. This is accomplished through the fair and consistent enforcement of the state's Alcoholic Beverage Control laws and regulations, Controlled Substance Laws, Lottery Laws, and other criminal and regulatory matters under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Public Safety or the Governor.



- 9 District Offices
- 102 Sworn Law Enforcement Agents
- Serving 9.752 Million NC Residents
- Regulating Over 18,000 Permitted Outlets





# Centers for Disease Control and Prevention U.S. Data

- Excess drinking leads to over 1800 deaths per year
- 600,000 injuries
- 696,000 assaults
- Approximately 97,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 are the victims of alcohol-related sexual assault or date rape.

# US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



REPORT TO CONGRESS ON THE PREVENTION AND REDUCTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING

## North Carolina

- Ages 12-20 Past Month Alcohol Use  
268,000
- Ages 12-20 Past Month Alcohol Binge Use  
154,000
- 2012 Alcohol Attributed Deaths (Under 21)  
155
- Years of Potential Life Lost (Under 21)  
9,239





# ALE DUTIES

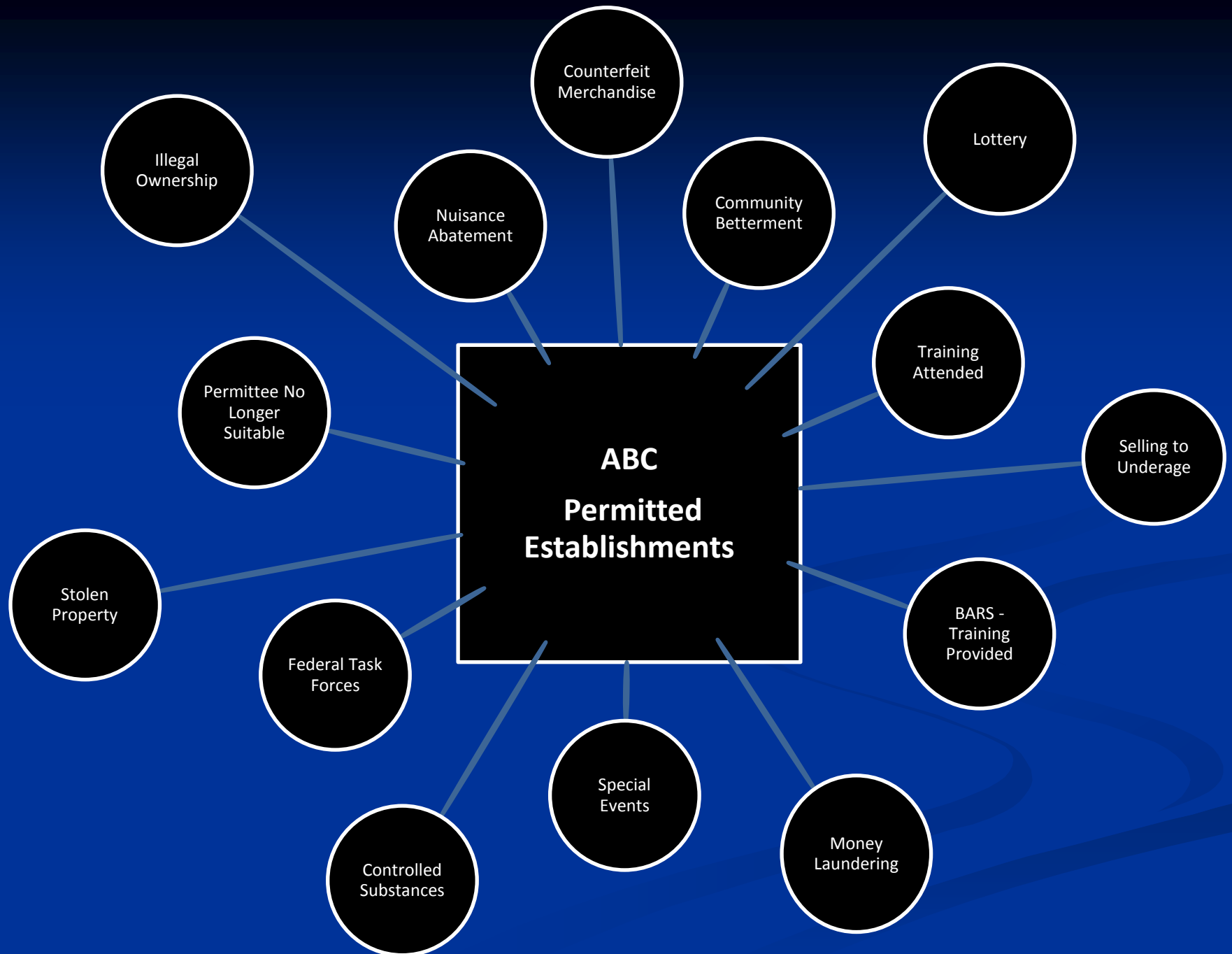
- **ENFORCEMENT**
  - Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws
  - Drug laws
  - Lottery laws
- **ADMINISTRATION**
  - Criminal checks for permit applications
  - Inspections at licensed establishments to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations
- **EDUCATION**
  - Be A Responsible Seller (BARS)
  - Public Information Programs
  - Keys To Life Programs
  - Underage Drinking Initiative (ABC)
  - Safe Campus Initiative





# **ALE's #1 Priority** **Problem ABC Permitted** **Establishments**

**“Problem Establishments” are often havens for habitual criminal activity to include alcohol and drug related violence, selling alcoholic beverages to underage patrons, buying stolen property, selling counterfeit merchandise, money laundering, gang violence, etc.**





# OUTLET INSPECTIONS

For FY-2014, ALE Agents have conducted 4256 inspections at permitted ABC establishments.

At the end of the Fiscal Year roughly half of the permitted establishments will be inspected.



# Community Betterment

**At the request of local authorities, ALE partners with Sheriff's Departments and local Police Departments in enforcement operations that address a specific problem, location or area of the community.**

**These problems/locations include permitted and non-permitted illegal outlets, drug houses, and neighborhood/open air drug sales.**



# Recent Community Betterment Initiatives

- Montgomery County – 59 arrests for 306 charges
- Martin/Washington Counties – 36 arrests for 126 charges
- Guilford County – 89 arrests for 174 charges
- Durham County – 132 arrests for 223 charges



# EXAMPLES OF VIOLENCE AT PROBLEM ESTABLISHMENTS

LOCATION	EVENT	DATE
Sleekarrows	1 person shot	Jan 2013
Sleekarrows	1 person shot	Mar 2013
Big Shots	2 persons shot	Feb 2013
Chiefs 25 Plus	1 person shot/killed	Jan 2013
Chiefs 25 Plus	1 person stabbed	Feb 2013
Chiefs 25 Plus	1 person shot/killed	Aug 2013
Pearl Necklace	Small riot/fight (30 people)	Nov 2012
Pearl Necklace	Car shot/large fight	Nov 2012
Pearl Necklace	1 person shot	Sept 2013
Fanatic Sports Bar	1 person shot	June 2013
Up Scales NC	1 person shot/killed	Nov 2012
Xscape Sportsbar	1 person shot	Nov 2012
Xscape Sportsbar	Shots fired calls	July 2013
Mickey's Night Club	2 persons shot/killed - 1 serious injury	Nov 2013



# **Permitted Establishments: Federal Task Forces**

**At the request of sponsoring Federal Agencies such as DEA, FBI and HSI, ALE Agents participate on federal task forces, because of our statutory authority.**

**ALE is primarily engaged to address Criminal Enterprises that utilize ABC permitted establishments to facilitate their criminal activity.**





# Ensuring Mission Execution Through Effective Time Management



An alphanumeric classification system was created for all ALE tasks.

Example: 1a. Problem Alcoholic Beverage Outlets



# SFY 2013-2014 Funding

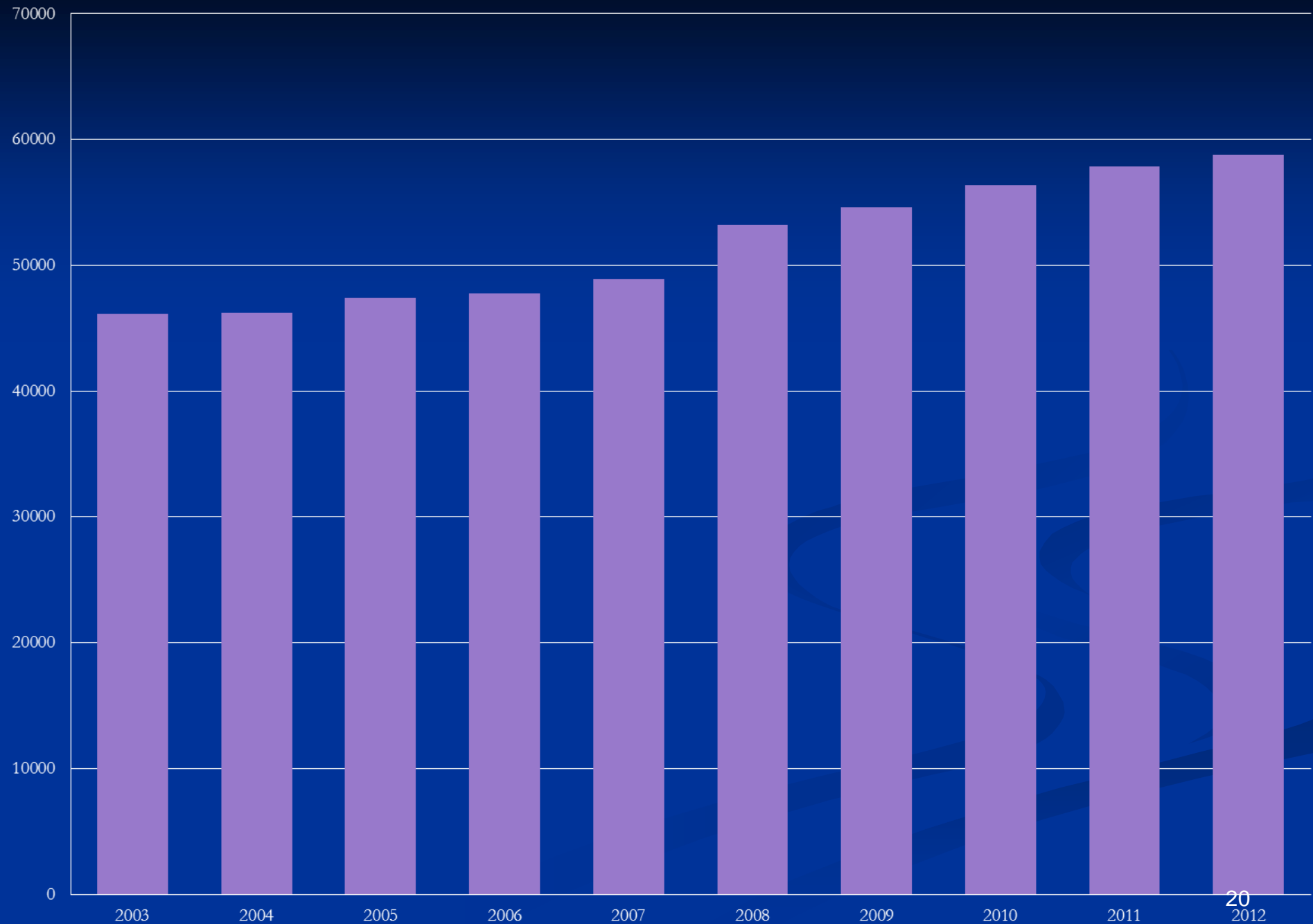
**ALE contracted with the ABC Commission for (\$500,000) and a grant from the Governor's Crime Commission for (\$200,000) for ALE to fund numerous sworn positions for SFY 2013/2014.**



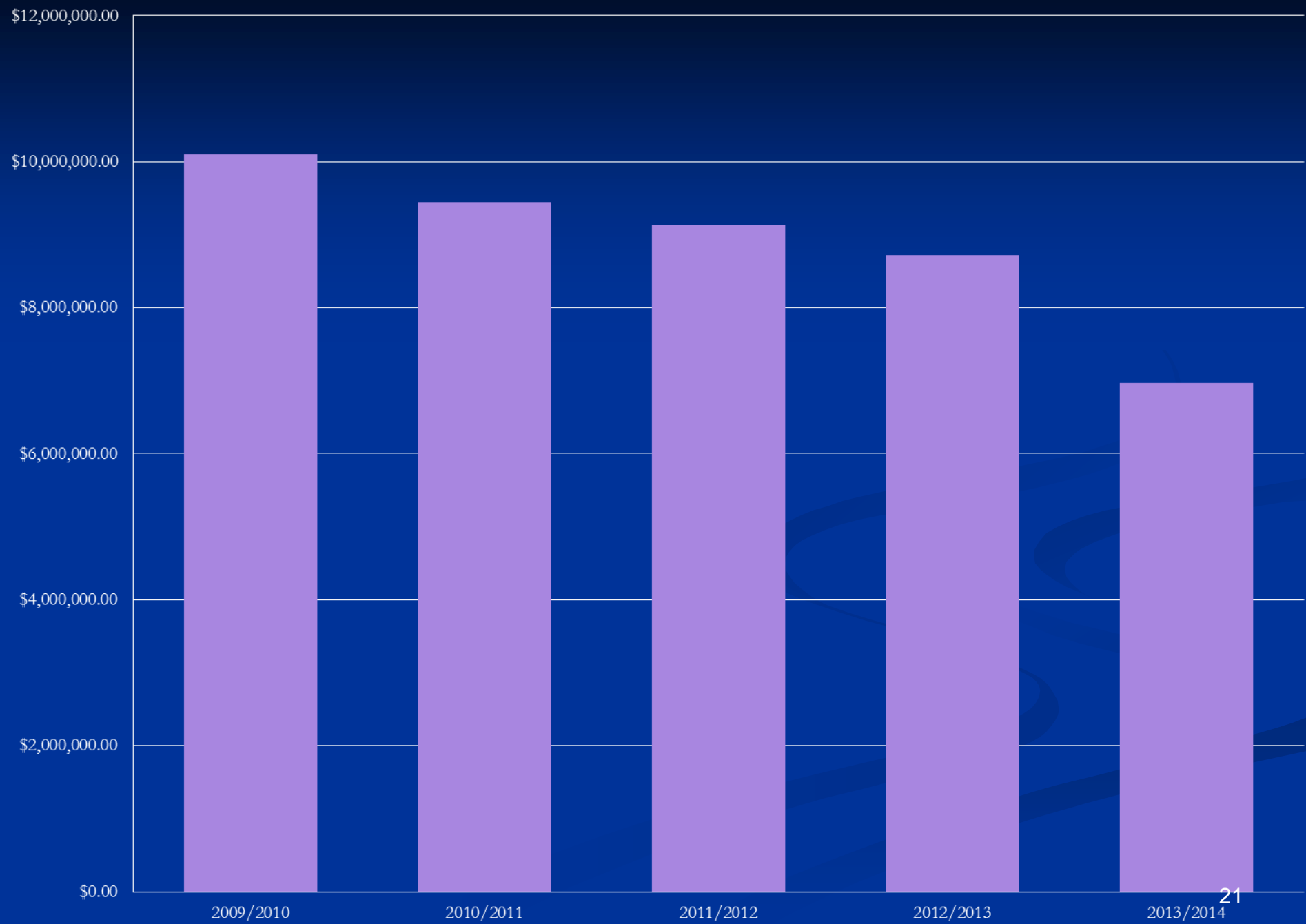
## **§ 18B-208. ABC Commission bonds and funds.**

All moneys credited to the ABC Commission Fund shall be used to carry out the intent and purposes of the ABC law in accordance with plans approved by the North Carolina ABC Commission and the Director of the Budget, and all these funds are appropriated, reserved, set aside, and made available until expended for the administration of the ABC law.

# NUMBER OF ACTIVE ABC PERMITS IN THE LAST TEN YEARS



# Appropriated Budget for Last Five Years





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